

# Rep. Neubauer: Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Plan Town Hall a Success

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RACINE, WI – Representative Greta Neubauer (D-Racine) released the following statement regarding yesterday's Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Plan for Wisconsin Town Hall Meeting, hosted at UW Parkside by Dr. Ross Astoria's Environmental Policy students.

"Last month, I asked Wisconsinites to join me in carrying the spirit of Earth Day and U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson throughout the year by collaborating on community-based green initiatives. Yesterday, we took a big step forward toward that goal.

"For months, Dr. Astoria and his students have been working on a Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Plan for Wisconsin, in the hopes of building a plan for a green economy and infrastructure in our great state. They presented practical solutions for big-picture problems and invited the community to work with them in moving forward.

"Over fifty people attended yesterday's town hall. We had real, frank conversations about the challenges Wisconsin faces due to climate change, including greenhouse gas emissions, public transit, and sustainable agriculture. This meeting was a great first step toward adopting local and state policies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

"I was honored to listen to your ideas and can't wait to keep working with all of you on our shared plans. When we invest together in infrastructure, energy efficiency, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, Racine will attract more jobs and reduce inequality. By collaborating on local green initiatives, we will create a brighter and more resilient Racine for our children and grandchildren."

“Thank you to Dr. Astoria and UW-Parkside for hosting this important conversation, and thank you to all who took the time out of their Tuesday evening to share their views. This was a perfect example of the Wisconsin idea: Public universities, elected officials, and community members coming together to find shared solutions for our state,” Rep. Neubauer concluded.